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(By Captain E. de Normanville in the Daily Chronicle). Remarkable Value: On the Hudson-Essex stand, which is just inside the Hammersmith Road entrance, are examples of the Hudson range of cars. Here, again, amongst people who really know comparative car performances, is a vehicle which also stands pre-eminent.

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MORE SPEECHES.

FRATERNITY PARTY GATHERINGS.

UNION VIEWS.

As previously reported the Fraternity Party of Hongkong merchants attended a memorial service at Wong Fa Kong on Monday in commemoration of the seventy-two heroes who met their deaths at the hands of Chang ming-che, then Viceroy of the two Kwangs, in an abortive attempt to capture the Viceroy's Yamen in the spring of 1911. This attempt, though abortive, heralded the revolution, and hastened its success. On their return from the service, the members of the party paid a call at the Headquarters of the Kuomintang, where they were received by the Executive Committee. The party was shown around the premises and was permitted to see the activities of the different departments of this political organization.

Thence the party proceeded to the spacious hall of the Committee of Education to attend the reception of the Strike Union. On entering the hall, the party was received by a guard of honour of the Pickets Corps, by entertainers appointed by the Government, and by executive officers of the Strike Union. There were over five hundred guests assembled in the hall.

The speech of the Chairman of the Strike Union was on the same lines as the one made when the first party of Hongkong merchants called at the Union's headquarters. He gave a brief outline of the cause of the strike, and the work accomplished by the strikers. At the close of the speech emphasis was laid on the importance of opening up Whampoa as a commercial port, and those present were informed that a big sum of money was required to develop the port and the object of the Union was to secure the support of the overseas Chinese for this scheme. Speeches were also made by representatives of other Unions. At 5 o'clock the guests took leave of their hosts and proceeded back to their hotels.

On Tuesday the party attended a reception by the All Kwangtung Labour Union.

STOLEN COAT.

FOUND IN PAWNSHOP.

When a Chinese hung a $30 coat out on a line, on Dec. 27th, two Chinese seized the opportunity of stealing it, and took it to a pawnshop where they pledged it for $5. The sequel was heard at the Central Police Court this morning, when they were charged with the larceny of the coat.

It was stated for the prosecution that the owner of the coat hung it out on a line to dry at about three o'clock in the afternoon. When he went to get it an hour later, he found it had gone. On the following day it was seen in one of the pawnshops by a detective. Yesterday some detectives in the course of their duties, went to some pawnshops, and in the shop in question they saw both of the defendants, who had a ticket for the coat. One of the defendants gave the ticket to the broker saying he wanted the coat he had stolen on the 27th.

The first defendant was sent to prison for one month, and the

FATAL LANDSLIDE.

FOUR COOLIES KILLED.

A fatal landslide, which resulted in four coolies losing their lives, occurred on the hillside above the large rock near the Naval Hospital, in Kennedy Road, at 2.15 p.m. yesterday. Two others were injured.

The coolies were working at the foot of a bank of earth, more than thirty feet deep when part of it gave way, and buried six coolies. Men from the Fire Brigade, Sanitary Department, Police, and P.W.D. rushed to the scene of the accident, and were soon engaged in rescue work. Four coolies were rescued after several hours' work, and, life being extinct, their bodies were taken to the Public Mortuary. Two other coolies were sent to the Government Civil Hospital, where one was detained.

All the coolies lived at a contractor's matshed near the scene of the accident.

Among the police rescuers was Mr. D. Burlingham (D.S.P.).

FORMER RESIDENT KILLED.

IN MOTOR ACCIDENT AT HOME.

Those who remember Mr. and Mrs. Tedo Miles, who some few years ago gained much popularity locally as entertainers, under the name of "Lena and Tedo," will hear with the utmost regret that Mrs. Miles has met her death at Home as the result of a motor accident.

News to this effect has just arrived in the Colony, but no details are given as to where or when the accident happened. It is added, however, that the deceased lady was rendered unconscious as the result of the accident, and died shortly afterwards without regaining consciousness.

Much sympathy will be felt with the bereaved husband, who, with his wife, made a large circle of friends whilst in Hongkong.

WHITE GLOVES.

THE HONGKONG CRIME SLUMP.

Probably for the first time in the history of the Central Police Court there were no new cases for hearing *before the senior magistrate*, Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday, and it was decided to mark the occasion in the time-honoured manner of presenting the magistrate with a pair of white gloves.

The presentation was to have been made by the acting Captain Superintendent of Police, Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C. I. E., this morning at ten o'clock, but owing to the absence of Mr. Lindsell, it was decided to defer the presentation until Monday.

This morning, the Second Magistrate took all the cases down for hearing in the big Court, and the small Court was not held.

FOUND WITH DAGGER.

RESULT OF STREET SEARCH

Last night in Queen's Road West a male Chinese was stooped by Sergt. Dungey, and a search party. On being searched he was found to be in possession of a dagger, and he was arrested.

Charged at the Central Police Court this morning, he pleaded guilty and stated that he had only just arrived in the Colony.

He was fined $100, or three months

LUICHOW FALLS.

DEFENDERS LEAVE THE CITY.

TROOPS FLEE.

With regard to the recent report that Luichow was being invested on all sides, and that overtures had been made for conditional surrender, but were flatly refused by Field Marshal Li Chai-sum, it now transpires that the defenders of the citadel, being unable to withstand the siege, have abandoned the city and fled to Chu Man, where transports had previously assembled, awaiting to convey the troops across the straits to Hainan island. The report further states that Wong Tai-wai, who went to assist Tang Poon-yan in the defence of Luichow, made his escape in a gunboat.

Another report states that Field Marshal Li Chai-sum suddenly shifted his headquarters to An Poo and immediately issued orders to commence a simultaneous bombardment of Luichow, and after a fierce engagement, the city succumbed, with the result that many prisoners and a large quantity of arms and amunition were captured. The peninsula is now cleared of Tang Poon-yan's forces.

It will be remembered that some time ago, Tan Sing-che, Garrison Commandant of Southern Hainan, made overtures to the Canton Government, through Tan Yen-kai. But at the time, Kwangtung province was in the throes of civil war and the Canton Government was not in a position to consider the proposed alliance. The proposal has now been renewed, and owing to the new developments in the North, together with the fact that Kwangtung is free of internal embarrassments, since all enemy forces have been eliminated or clipped of their power, the Canton Government is said to have requested Tang's special representative to remain over until after the general meeting of the members of the Kuomintang, when due consideration will be given to the proposal.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

CINEMA SHOW FOR BUILDING FUND.

A cinema show has been arranged by the Masters of St. Stephen's College, in aid of the New Building Fund, for Saturday night. Mr. H. W. Ray, who some twenty years ago was on the staff of the College, has kindly provided a first-rate programme, including "The Silent Call," a seven-reel film picturing the famous dog, Strong-Heart; and an Our Gang Comedy. There will also be ventriloquism by Rev. G. E. Arrowsmith, whose skill is well-known in Hongkong; and Mr. Li Chor Chee who is a former student and staff member has been invited to sing. The Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell will preside at the piano. Mr. Fung Man-sui, B.Sc., of the Bank of Canton, a former master and one of the original students of the school, is Chairman of the Cinema Committee and Mr. Chau Cheung-nin, is Hon. Treasurer.

The show is open to the general public, admission being $2 and $1, and it will be held in the hall of the sister School, St. Stephen's Girls's College, Lyttleton Road, on Saturday night (Jan. 2) at 8 o'clock.

VALEDICTORY.

TIFFIN TO MR. FLETCHER.

The Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce is arranging to give a complimentary tiffin to the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher prior to his departure to take up his new appointment as Colonial Secretary of Ceylon.

It is at the very keen desire of all members that the function is being arranged as there is a unanimous desire to express to Mr. Fletcher appreciation for his invaluable services to the commercial and shipping interests of the Colony during the last 24 years.

The function, at which His Excellency the Governor has expressed a desire to be present, will take place at the Roof Garden, Hongkong Hotel, on Wednesday next, January 6th.

LOSS OF $200.

SNATCHING FROM PORTUGUESE LADY.

Yesterday afternoon, as she was walking along Seymour Road, a Portuguese lady, Miss M. Braga, residing at 37, Robinson Road, had an unfortunate experience, when she fell a victim to a bag snatcher.

She was carrying a Japanese hand bag, containing $200 in notes, and small change, as well as private papers. A male Chinese suddenly snatched the bag and made away with it. Although she chased the culprit, she was unable to catch him, and he eluded all pursuit and escaped. He has not yet been found.

SIRDAR'S MURDER.

LENGTHY INVESTIGATION SEQUEL.

Cairo, Dec. 30.

Mr. Parquet has decided to send before the Committing Magistrate Ahmed Effend Maher and Mahmoud Effendi Nokrashi, ex-minister for Education and ex-Under Secretary of the Interior respectively in the former Zaghlul Cabinet, in connection with the investigation into the murder of the late Sirdar.—*Reuter.*

[These men have been in custody since May, pending investigations.]

RUSSIA & ORIENT.

CLOSER UNDERSTANDING URGED.

Moscow, Dec. 30.

M. Tomski, with the approval of the Soviet Congress, has declared that it is necessary to pursue the unity of international syndicates, and particularly to establish close bonds with the Oriental organisations, chiefly the Japanese.—*Indopacifi.*

DRIFTING SHIP.

JAPANESE STEAMER DISABLED.

London, Dec. 30.

A message from Perim reports that the Japanese steamer Baltimore Maru has broken her tail shaft. Her position at noon yesterday was 17.12 North, 40.49 East, and she was drifting northward.—*Reuter.*

SYRIAN OPERATIONS.

A FURTHER ADVANCE.

Paris, Dec. 30.

A column arrived without incident at Bousidans, situated 35 kilometres south-east of Damascus, and satisfactorily carried out its operations without meeting with resistance.—*Indopacifi.*

CANTON ARMY.

BIG REVIEW FOR TO-MORROW.

20,000 TROOPS.

In military circles in Canton, great activity is to be noticed especially in the elaborate preparations which are being made for the grand inspection of the troops to be held to-morrow morning at the East Parade ground. It is said that over 20,000 troops will take part in this inspection. The forces on parade will be composed of the entire Cadets Corps, one regiment of the 1st Division of the 1st Army Corps, two regiments of the 2nd Division of the 1st Army Corps, one Battalion of Artillery, one Company of Machine Guns, one Battalion of Gendarmes, one Battalion of the 1st Independent Division, one Regiment of the 2nd Army Corps, one Battalion of Cadets of the Kong Wu Millitary School, two Regiments of the 3rd Army Corps, one Battalion of Special Guards of the 3rd Army Corps, and two Regiments of the 5th Army Corps. These units will assemble in the early hours of the morning and the inspection will take place at 8 a.m. in the presence of the Committee of Political Affairs.

It is reported that a meeting of the Committee of Military Affairs, held specially to delibegate on the recommendations for the reconstruction of the Army contained in a report of General Chang Kai-shek has decided that all recommendations, except the revocation of the title of "Kwan Chang," be approved. It is said that the title of "Kwan Chang," being intimately associated with the history of one particular unit, a vote for the revocation of this title did not pass by the required majority of votes, and is set aside until the return of General Chang Kai-shek.

MOROCCAN SITUATION.

M. BRIAND'S INTERESTING STATEMENT.

Paris, Dec. 30.

In the Chamber of Deputies, replying to the Communist, M. Cachin, with regard to the visit to Paris of the British Captain Canning as an envoy of Abd-el-Krim, with whom M. Briand had refused to treat, M. Briand lengthily explained his refusal and said that Capt. Canning had no official mandate to be sent to Paris at the very moment the French authorities had secured possession of bundles of propaganda intended to stir up a revolt of Moslems against France and against Spain who were endeavouring to bring about a real peace. The situation in Morocco had considerably improved, and Moroccans themselves were policing the frontiers. Ten thousand families had returned to allegiance in order to escape the terrible cruelty and tyranny of Abd-el-Kram who was in no wise qualified to speak for the tribes, particularly those of Djebalas and Riffs, with whom France and Spain preferred to negotiate. He hoped to arrive shortly at a satisfactory solution.—*Reuter.*

Melilla, Dec. 30.

The village of Sefsasa has submitted.

All the Beninesmar tribes in the low regions have now submitted, thus insuring tranquility over all the territory bordering the Spanish lines from Balabas to Buixa.

The Djebelhodid tribe is asking to submit.—*Indopacifi.*

ANOTHER BRIDE SHIP.

SHANGHAI MAN MARRIED HERE.

No fewer than five brides came out East by the P. and O. s.s. Khyber, and the last of the number to get married, the others having reached their destinations before the liner reached Hongkong, was Miss Lolo Charlotte Burdett-Taylor, who was wedded on Saturday last, at St. John's Cathedral, to Mr. David Dalgleish, of the P.W.D., Shanghai.

The bride, who hails from Harrowon-the-Hill wore a pretty fawn costume with hat, furs and shoes to match, and carried a bouquet of roses. She was given away by Dr. Bennet, of Shanghai, whilst Mr. Reginald Keye acted as "best man."

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. T. B. Powell, Chaplain of the Cathedral, whilst Mr. F. Mason, the Cathedral organist, rendered appropriate music.

The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay.

HONGKONG'S TIME.

ADVANCE OF SIX-TENTHS OF SECOND.

Hongkong is at present behind the times—by six-tenths of a second to be precise; but the defect will be remedied to-morrow.

It will be recalled that it was officially notified on the 4th instant that observations of the Bordeaux rythmic time-signals showed the Longitude of the Royal Observatory, Hongkong, to be incorrect. This is being corrected to-morrow (New Year's Day), when the effect of the new Longitude will be shown for the first time by the dropping of the time-ball at 10 o'clock in the morning.

On enquiry at the Observatory this morning, we were informed that when the time-ball drops at 10 o'clock, the time will be advanced by six-tenths of a second, and this will mean that thereafter the Observatory's Longitude will be correct.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"SALLY, OF THE SAWDUST."

If for nothing else than to be introduced to Professor McGargle, we can recommend our readers to pay a visit to the Queen's Theatre during the run of "Sally of the Sawdust."

This is a Griffiths picture, full of characteristically humorous Griffiths touches. Of the story itself, we cannot speak in superlative terms, but McGargle is a new and very human type, and you should really meet him. You will like him.

BANDITS KILLED.

SEVEN LAUNCHES CAPTURED.

General Li Fook-lum has reported to the Canton Government that whilst in pursuit of bandits in the waters of Huengshan an engagement on water took place on the 26th inst., the result being the capture of two launches, the killing of many bandits, and the release of thirteen persons, two being females and three children, who were kidnapped some months ago.

General Li also reports that in the waters of San Sui, five more launches were captured and many bandits killed.

MURDER TRIAL.

PRISONER'S WIFE GIVES EVIDENCE.

NEARING CLOSE.

One of the witnesses called to-day for the defence in the trial of Shing Wai-tat, charged with the murder of an Indian constable on 8th July last, was the wife of the accused.

She told the Court that, in the belief that the sale of her house could be effected on an offer of $3,500, she, with her son, accompanied the woman Li Tai to Shumchun, arriving at a time when her husband was engaged in digging a grave on the hillside at Wang Kwong Tau. She spoke of his willingness to sell their house, and of his surprise that a reward had been offerred for the arrest of a man whose name was identical with his. He had said "Get away with you. Don't tell me a story." That did not deter her husband from returning to the New Territories to go through the process of the sale of the house and the transference of the mortgage deeds.

Witness went on to relate what happened on this journey, and which had already been recounted by the woman Li Tai in her evidence at an earlier stage of the case. She added that on being pounced upon by the two detectives on the British side of the Lo Wu Bridge he was "beaten up," and that she and her son were prevented from going to him by the picket of four soldiers whom the woman Li Tai had engaged to escort them towards the British border, ostensibly for protection against kidnappers, but actually to see that none of them escaped until the husband was safely across the border in police hands. According to the witness's story this morning, these same soldiers turned out to be themselves kidnappers. They took her and her son back to a house in Shumchun, where the boy was kept for a month until a ransom, which had been fixed at $130, was forthcoming. Witness scraped together this money with great difficulty, but after a month's confinement she had the satisfaction of seeing her son returned to her.

Regarding the other son, who was detained by the police in the expectation that information might be obtained from him as to his father's whereabouts, witness said that he was confined for eight days in the police station and notwithstanding that he had said that his father was digging graves at Wang Kwong Tau, the police would take him anywhere but the place mentioned, in a fruitless search. He was threatened with corporal chastisement if he did not give the information they required, and when he was returned to her, his chest and back were a mass of bruises. She had to call in a doctor on seeing his condition.

The case is still unconcluded, and was proceeding as we went to press.

THE RUBBER QUESTION.

MR. HOOVER'S PLEA TO AMERICANS.

Washington, Dec. 30.

Speaking on the rubber situation, Mr. Hoover called upon the nation to reduce the use of rubber to the lowest minimum, and to organise independent sources of supply.

According to the papers, Mr. Hoover is reported to have stated that a commercial war between America and England is imminent, and to have proposed fixing the price of cotton for export at 75 cents and wheat at eight dollars per bushel.

The *New York Herald* says White House made known to the United States that it will not sanction any kind of trade reprisals whatsoever.—*Indopacifi.*

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LITTLE HSU ASSASSINATED.

REVENGE FOR FATHER'S DEATH.

BOMBED AT RAILWAY STATION.

Peking, Dec. 30.

Hsu Shu-tseng, otherwise Little Hsu, was murdered last night.

Hsu Shu-tseng was a most ardent supporter of Tuan Chi-jui. After reporting to the latter regarding his recent mission, he left Peking yesterday evening with the object of seeing Sun Chuan-fang and other militarists. According to railway police reports, Lu Chen-wu, son of General Lu Chien-chang, whom Hsu Shu-cheng invited to a banquet at Tientsin in 1918, and shot with his own revolver, threw a bomb when the train reached Langfang, killing Hsu and several members of his staff. Lu Cheng-wu is issuing a circular telegram stating that the motive is revenge for his father's death. Lu Cheng-wu is a cousin of Feng Yu-hsiang.—*Reuter.*

His Career.

Hsu Shu-tseng (or Little Hsu) was born in Kiangsu. He first came to notice as private secretary to Marshal Tuan Chi-jui, the Anfu leader, now acting President. Marshal Tuan sent him to Japan to study military science. Later he became Secretary-in-Chief of the Cabinet, from which post he resigned in November, 1916. He played a prominent part in Peking affairs in 1917-18, when the Anfu party was enjoying power. Marshal Tuan, then Premier, sent him to Japan on a special mission in 1918. Later, when the combined Chihli and Fengtien forces drove the Anfuites out, Hsu Shu-tseng, as commander of the North-West Frontier Army, was in chief command. He fled to the Japanese concession, from where he somewhat mysteriously escaped. He was proscribed, but remained at liberty. In 1922 he was involved in a revolt against the Fukien Tuchun, and arrest was again ordered. In 1924 when Chi Hsieh-yan defeated Lu Yung-hsiang for possession of Shanghai, Little Hsu tried to gather up the defeated forces and carry on the struggle. He was arrested by the Shanghai foreign police and deported, calling at Hongkong. Then his chief, Tuan Chi-jui suddenly returned to power as the result of Wu Pei-fu's defeat, and Hsu was appointed special envoy to visit Europe. He was royally entertained there and has only just returned via America.

THE NORTHERN WAR.

Peking, Dec. 30.

Despite the defeat of Kuo Sung-lin, the situation at Mukden is stated to be not entirely satisfactory. It appears there has been some heartburning over the handing out of rewards to the successful troops, and Chang Tso-hsiang is still being criticised for his misplaced confidence in Kuo Sung-lin.

On December 27, Chang Tso-lin called together his principal military advisers and members of the provincial assembly and again declared his intention to resign. Owing, however, to general opposition, he again changed his mind.

From a reliable foreign source it is learned that Kan Chao-hsi, former Governor of Jehol, who held aloof during the recent hostilities, has revolted and is at present north of Tiehling with six thousand troops.—*Reuter.*

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

YESTERDAY'S MEETING OF OLD BOYS.

A Successful Year.

The sixth annual general meeting of the Queen's College Old Boys' Association was held in the Great Hall of the College yesterday evening, the attendance being small on account of the funeral of the late Mr. H. H. Tayler, who was a member of the Association. Prior to the general meeting, an extraordinary general meeting was held to consider and, if thought fit, to pass a resolution that the financial year of the Association extend from January 1 to December 31 in each year and to amend Rule 4 of the Constitution accordingly. Mr. Geo. Grimble presided.

It was explained by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. G. Anderson that it was necessary to consider an amendment of the Constitution at "an extraordinary meeting" as it was contained in the Constitution that no alteration should be made except at such meeting.

The resolution was proposed by the Secretary, seconded by the Chairman and carried unanimously.

The Annual Report.

The report for the year 1924-25 was then put to the meeting and approved. The report stated:

The total number of members, including 43 resident abroad and 99 life members, is 735, against a total of 699 of the previous year.

The death of Messrs. Yu Chow-wai, M. B. Suffiad, Liang Lan-hsun, Chau Shu-ki, Ho Cheuk, C. H. Lyson and Chan Lai-to is recorded with regret.

Finance.

The finance of the Association is, on the whole, satisfactory. The General Account shows credit balances of $1,192.91 on Current Account and $6,151.81 on Fixed Deposit, a total of $7,344.72. Out of this sum, provision has to be made for the endowment of the Ng In and Tsang Chung Scholarships, each of the value of $50.00, to be awarded annually in Classes VII and VIII respectively. The first award will be made at the Prize Distribution in 1926.

Annual Dinner.

The fifth annual dinner of the Association, followed by a concert, was held on the 14th of March, 1925. There was an attendance of 261 members and their guests.

The subscriptions to defray the cost of the entertainment amounted to $2,182.00 and the expenditure totalled $2,221.39, showing a deficit of $39.39, which appears in the General Account.

Football Match.

In view of the poor attendance at the annual cricket matches in the past, it was decided to have a football match between the Association and the students of the College shortly before the annual dinner. This match took on Saturday, the 28th of February, 1925, on the College ground at Causeway Bay and resulted in a win for the Association. The attendance being also poor, the out-going General Committee recommend that the annual athletic sports meeting of the College be made an occasion for a re-union of members in place of the annual cricket or football match.

The Headmaster.

The retirement of Mr. Bertram Tanner as Headmaster of the College and a Vice-president of the Association, is recorded with regret. To mark the members' keen appreciation of his long and meritorious connection with Queen's College, a presentation of a cheque for the acquisition of a small touring car was made to him prior to his departure from the Colony.

The General Committee welcome Mr. A. H. Crook, who succeeds Mr. Tanner, as a Vice-president of the Association.

General.

The General Committee takes this opportunity to record the thanks of the Association to the members who served on the different sub-committees in connection with the annual dinner, the annual football match and the presentation to Mr. B. Tanner, to Mr. Chan Kwok-ying for his publicity work for the Association in the Chinese press, to Mr. William Wong for auditing the accounts, to the Union Trading Co., Ltd., for the loan of one of its offices for all Committee meetings and to the College prefects for supervising the distribution of the College magazine.

The Chairman added with regret the name of Mr. H. H. Tayler to the list of members lost by death.

Officials Elected.

The following officials were elected to serve for the coming year:

President, Mr. Geo. Grimble; Vice-presidents, Mr. A. H. Crook and Mr. Lee Hy-san; Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. G. Anderson; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Lai Im-to; General Committee, Messrs. C. G. Anderson, C. Choa, Chow Ping-un, S. M. Churn, J. F. Grose, Ho Kwong, Ho Leung, H. K. Hung, W. Kay, Lai Im-to, Lo Man-hin, Lo Tung-fan, Ip Kam-kwong, Tse Ching-fong, A. P. Samy, and the Senior Prefect of Queen's College.

On the proposition of Mr. J. F. Grose, Mr. Bertram Tanner, I.S.O., late headmaster of Queen's College, was elected as an honorary member of the Association. Mr. Ho Leung proposed that the name of Mr. R. E. O. Bird be also added to the list. Mr. Chau Ping-un seconded, and the proposal was carried unanimously.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman, proposed by Mr. A. P. Samy, concluded the meeting.

INTERPORT RUGBY.

HONGKONG AGAIN DEFEATED.

Shanghai, Dec. 30.

In the Interport Rugby match played to-day, Keio University beat Hongkong by eight points to 3.

Hongkong pressed at the start, but after twenty minutes Hagihara scored a converted try for the Japanese. Bad passing, nearly let Hongkong in, but Takano, the full back, cleared well. Lammert scored a very good try for Hongkong. He dodged through all the Japanese team. The try was unconverted. At half time the score was 5 points to 3 in favour of Keio. Exciting play and fine touch kicking on both sides followed. Mitano scored a good unconverted try. The game was very fast. Keio were outweighed, but were quicker on the ball, though Hongkong used their weight to great advantage. Andrews was carried off the field hurt in the second half. —*Reuter.*

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION IN MACAO.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY CASUALTIES.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Macao, Dec. 30.

As the result of an explosion at a new fire cracker factory, 150 people were killed and wounded.

PROPERY SALE.

HOUSES IN STONE NULLAH LANE FOR $20,400.

There was a poor attendance at Messrs. Lammert's Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon when property situated in Stone Nullah Lane was put up and knocked down for $20,400.

The property consisted of Inland Lot No. 1593, together with all buildings thereon known as Nos. 79 and 81 Stone Nullah and is held for the residue of the term of 75 years from 1900 with right of renewal for 75 years. The area is 1,730 square feet and the annual Crown rent $24.

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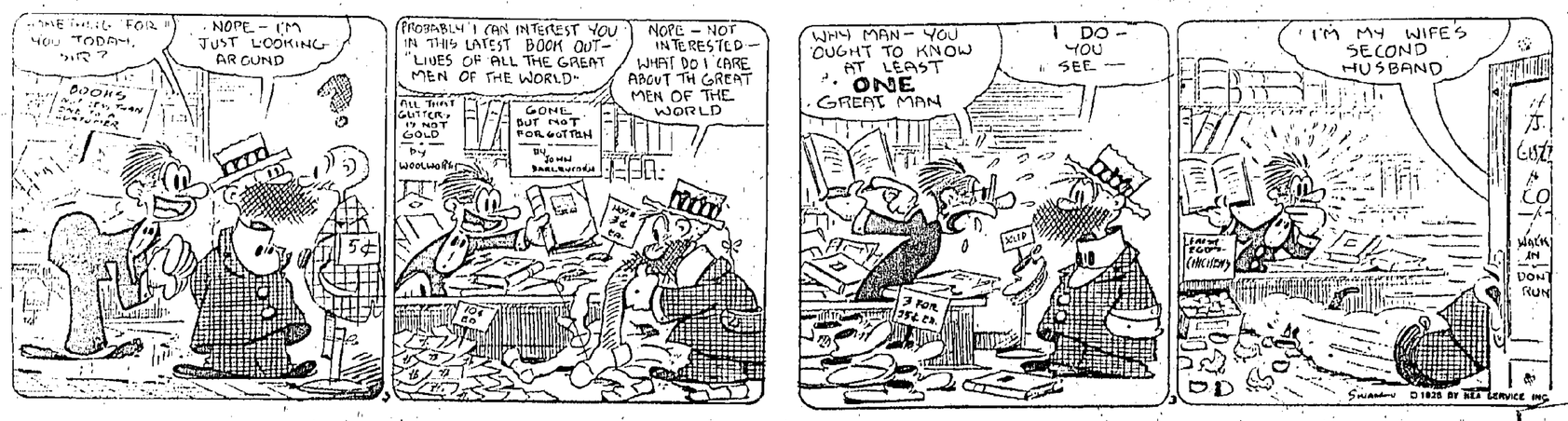
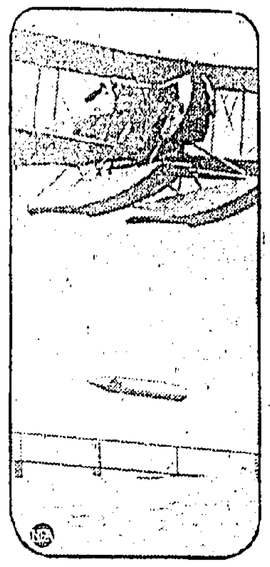


The Late Queen Alexandra in a Family Group.

A photograph taken at Lady Maud Carnegie's wedding in London showing Queen Alexandra standing between the King and Queen, with the Prince of Wales and Prince Henry on the left and the Duke of York and Prince George on the right. ("Times" copyright photograph).

Torpedo Plane.



This remarkable photograph shows the new British Blackburne-Rapier torpedo plane launching one of its missiles of death during a trial flight at Hull. It has proved a distinct success.

Royal Catafalque in Sandringham Church.

The body of Queen Alexandra, in a coffin of Sandringham oak, was taken to the little church in the park at Sandringham early on Sunday morning (Nov. 22.) to rest there until Thursday, (Nov. 26.) This photograph shows the catafalque in the chancel, with the coffin draped by her Majesty's standard and the wreaths laid on her bier by the King and Queen and members of the Royal Family. ("Times" copyright photograph).

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Over half a century's reputation throughout the East as the House of Quality.

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Either as a *rendezvous*, or a restful retreat after a busy day's shopping, Wiseman's new lounge has that personal appeal that makes all the difference.

Morning Coffee or Afternoon Tea daintily prepared and served.

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One of the most treasured possessions of friends far away is a photo of their dear ones overseas. The Ming Yuen Studio is fitted with the most modern photographic equipment and will be pleased to show you specimens of their work.

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WANTED.—Expert male steno-typist open for immediate engagement. Conversant with filing, coding and general office work. Moderate salary. Apply to "Advertiser" 19, Granville Road, Kowloon.

WANTED.

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TO LET IN KOWLOON.—A six-roomed house with four-bathrooms, Servant's quarters and small garden, 4 minutes from the ferry. Apply Box No. 1429 c/o "Hongkong Telegraph."

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THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER COMPANY (1918) LIMITED.

With reference to the Notice to the Shareholders of this Company dated 28th October, 1925, whereby the Final Call of $3.00 per share on the New Shares was made payable on 4th January, 1926, instead of 3rd November, 1925, the General Managers and Consulting Committee have decided, in view of the conditions prevailing at present, to further extend the time for payment of this Call.

Notice is accordingly hereby given that the date for payment of the Final Call is postponed to 4th March, 1926, and that the Form of Bankers' Receipt already sent to Shareholders can be used as though the date named therein were the 4th March, 1926.

For THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER CO. (1918), LTD.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1925.

INSURANCE OFFICES.

NOTICE.

General Holidays.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all Fire and Marine Insurance Offices will be CLOSED for the transaction of public business on FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 1st and 2nd January, 1926.

By Order,
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
Secretaries,
The Fire Insurance Association of Hongkong,
The Marine Insurance Association of Hongkong and Canton.

Hongkong, December 29, 1925.

MISCELLANEOUS.

WANTED one furnished and unfurnished house on Peak or Lower levels, also flat in Happy Valley or Causeway Bay, furnished or unfurnished. Tel. 4630 Small Investor's, 10 Des Vœux Road.

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LOST.—Strayed from 2 Tregunter Mansions, black and grey Toni cat. Finder please ring up C.2431.

KING EDWARD HOTEL.

NEW YEAR Eve Carnival and Dinner Dance

8 p.m. till 1 am

Reservations can be made on application to the manager.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

On Friday, the 1st. January, 1926, all Departments will be CLOSED.

On this day

The Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department, will be open for dispensing prescriptions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

On Saturday, 2nd. Jan.

business as usual in all departments.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 30th. Dec., 1925.

NOTICE.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

Under Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Friday and Saturday, the 1st and 2nd January, 1926.

NOTICE.

ST. JOSEPH'S (BRANCH) COLLEGE, CHATHAM ROAD, KOWLOON.

PITMAN'S SHORTHAND, EVENING CLASSES FOR LADIES & GENTS.

FOUR MONTHS INTENSIVE COURSE, SUCCESS GUARANTEED.

Classes for Beginners and High Speed Aspirants.

Students for High Speed must possess certificates for 80 words per minute.

Enrolment at the above College (Kowloon) at 5.30 p.m. on the 5th January, 1926.

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Sure and certain for all Female complaints. Every lady should keep a box in the house.
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THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.

THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 4061 for ONE HUNDRED (100) SHARES numbered 78654/78753 in the above Company standing in the name of TSEUNG E TAK having been reported lost, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE is produced within one month from date hereof, it will thereafter be held by the Company as NULL AND VOID, and a NEW CERTIFICATE for the said shares will be issued.

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, December 30th, 1925.

THE DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL

HONGKONG.

In February the School will move to its new buildings at Kowloon. The Buildings are situated in 23 acres of Grounds and are easy of access by Road and Rail.

Boarders and Day Boys who wish to attend in February should send in their names to the Headmaster.

W. T. FEATHERSTONE,
Head Master.

NOTICE.

The Consul for France and Madame Yues du Courthial will be At Home to their compatriots and friends on FRIDAY, January 1st 1926, from 5 to 7 p.m. on the occasion of New Year's Day.

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from Messrs. Wing Yue Tseung to sell by Public Auction for account of Messrs. Him Yuen Cheung Kee on

Wednesday, the 6th January 1926 at 11.30 a.m.

at their Sales Room, Duddell St., 200 New Tins 'FONG TSZE' Oil (The Goods are now stored in Messrs. Wing Yue Tseung's Godown, No. 402, Des Voeux Rd. W.)

Terms:—As Customary

Messrs. LAMMERT BROTHERS
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From EUROPE & STRAITS.

The Steamship

"KASHIMA MARU,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 5th Jan, 1926, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesday and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage Period.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
Hongkong, 29th Dec., 1925.

No matter what Plumbing or Sanitary Engineering problem your are faced with—

C. E. WARREN & Co., Ltd.
China Building.
(Facing Queen's Theatre.)

CHINA AUCTION ROOMS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

By Order of the Mortgagee.

Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on MONDAY,

the 4th January, 1926, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at the China Auction Rooms, 4 Duddell Street, Victoria, Hongkong.

The Very Valuable Leasehold Property

situate at Victoria aforesaid and being The Remaining portion of Inland Lot No. 1556 and The Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 1557

In One Lot.

The property comprises the messuages shops or dwelling houses known as No. 244 and 246 Des Vœux Road Central and contains an area of 1582 Square Feet or thereabouts. Further particulars and conditions of sale may be obtained from the office of

Messrs. DEACONS,
1 Des Vœux Road Central
Vendor's Solicitors, or

MR. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA,
The Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Dec. 14, 1925.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE
of the
Valuable Leasehold Properties
Situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong,
and known as
Section H of Inland Lot No. 151
and Section D of Inland
Lot No. 152A
Together with the messuages erections and buildings thereon
known as Nos. 9 and 11,
Prince's Terrace,
To Be Sold
In One Lot
by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

on TUESDAY,

the 12th day of January, 1926, at 3 o'clock p.m., at the China Auction Rooms, Duddell Street, Victoria, Hongkong,

by

Mr. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA.

The properties consist of:—

All those pieces or parcels of ground situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as Section H of Inland Lot No. 151 and Section D of Inland Lot No. 152A with the messuages erections and buildings thereon known as Nos. 9 and 11, Prince's Terrace, Victoria, Hongkong. The properties are held for the unexpired residues of the respective terms of 924 years from the 22nd day of January, 1919, and 999 years from the 25th day of June, 1849, created by an Indenture of Extension dated the 3rd day of November, 1849, and made between Her late Majesty Queen Victoria of the one part and Abraham Joseph Burley of the other part, and by an Indenture of Crown Lease dated the 1st day of November, 1849, and made between Her late Majesty Queen Victoria of the one part and the said Abraham Burley of the other part, respectively. Annual Crown Rent $9.50 and cents 28 respectively.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to:

Messrs. JOHNSON STOKES & MASTER,
Mortgagee's Solicitors,
or to

Mr. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA,
The Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 24, 1925.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

Banks.

Hongkong, $1,060 sa.
Chartered, £21 n.
Mercantile A. and B., £29½ n.
Mercantile C., £13½ n.
P. and O., £9½ n.
East Asia, $85 n.

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins., $585 b.
China Underwriters, $2.25 b.
North China, Tls. 140 n.
Unions, $253 b.
Yangtsze, $35 b.

Fire Ins.

China Fires, $160 n.
Hongkong Fire, $600 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, $35 s.
Steamboats, $23 n.
Tugs, $4½ s.
Indo-Chinas, $38 n.
Shell Trans., 98/- b.
Star Ferries, $59 b.
Waterboats, $16 b.
Oriental Nav., $250 n.

Refineries.

China Sugars, $31 n.
Malabons, $48 n.

Mining.

Benguets, $1.90 n.
Kailans, 45/- n.
Langkats, Tls. 33½ n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 5.45 n.
Shanghai Loans, Tls. 8 n.
Raubs, $5.80 s.
Tronohs, 58/- n.
Ural Caspians, 8/- n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, $129 b.
Whampoa Docks, $56 b.
Hongkews, Tls. 165 b.
New Engineerings, Tls. 71 b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 114 b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, $8¾ b.
H.K. Lands, $68½ sa.
Realtys, $5½ s.
Territorials, $6 b.
Humphreys, $13¾ b.
Princes Bldgs, $150 n.
Rural Lands, $7 s.

Cottons.

Ewos, Tls. 10 s.
Orientals, Tls. $3.25 n.
S'hai Cottons, Tls. 62 s.

Miscellaneous.

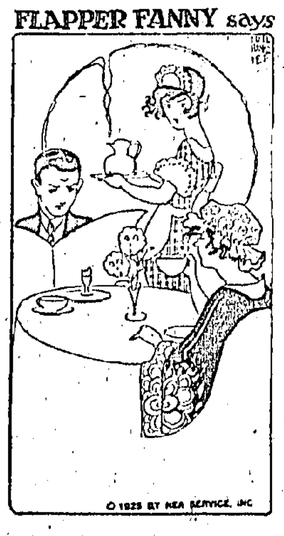
Canton Ices, $7½ n.
Cements, $14.90 sa.
China Buses, Tls. 10½ b
China Lights, $15.10 n.
China Prov., $8¾ s.
Constructions, $2 b.
Dairy Farms, $17¾ s.
Der A. Wing, $10 n.
Electrics, $55 sa.
Macao Electrics, $40 n.
Developments, 30 cents, b.
Ropes, $40 s.
Tramways, $24¾ sa.
Lane Crawfords, $12¾ n.
Mackintosh, $21½ n.
Peak Trams, $15½ b.
Sinceres, $11 s.
Taxis, $5 s.
United Asbestos, $20 n.
Watsons (Old), $12½ b.
Watsons (New), $12 b.
Powells, $13 s.
Amusements, $10.50 b.

FRENCH HONOURS.

Paris, Dec. 30.

M. Philippe Berthelot and M. Daeschener have been appointed Grand Officers of the Legion of Honour.—*Indopacifi.*

FLAPPER FANNY says



Love is blind but marriage is an oculist.

WIRELESS IN INTERIOR AUSTRALIA.

MISSIONARY EXPERIMENT.

The big distances of a sparsely populated continent—how can these be overcome? Australia has the problem on what may be called the grand scale. Railways are solving the problem, but the cost is enormous and achievement slow. Airways are working wonders in drawing together the coastal cities and the remote places of the interior. But it is wireless that is at last bringing the vast spaces of Australia into relation. Much remains to be done in the way of systematic development, but enough has been accomplished to give these lonely people the thrill of intimate association. And the fringe has been touched, too, of the commercial exploitation of radio in the great backblocks, writes the Adelaide correspondent of a Home paper.

Recently there has been a notable advance in the possibilities of wireless over the Continent. A missionary has returned to Adelaide after making successful tests by means of a portable wireless set installed in a Ford motor-car. The superintendent of the Australian Inland Mission (Mr. John Flynn) spent some weeks between Oodnadatta and Alice Springs with a companion experimenting in both transmission and reception. The motor-car with the apparatus had to negotiate some rough places, as may be imagined, and while the best could not get out of the set in these circumstances, there was such a measure of success as to justify more elaborate arrangements, which are now in hand. The undertaking was advertised, and listeners throughout Australia awaited with interest his call sign, 8AC. Weeks passed and nothing was heard of it; then one night, an operator in an Adelaide suburb picked up the experimenters' camp, and conversation was held between them for more than an hour. Mr. Flynn was transmitting from the banks of Cooper's Creek (which Start discovered in 1845) where the explorers Burke and Wills perished during their great adventure into the wilds. The precise spot was 300 miles from the nearest telegraph and 300 miles from the closest telephone.

The method Mr. Flynn adopted was as follows. A pulley was fitted to one of the rear wheels of the motor-car (which was jacked up) and this was connected to a generator placed on the running boards. A whit led belt was used for driving. A high-tension current of 600 volts pressure was generated while the engine was running at a rate equivalent to 15 miles an hour. The transmitter was rated at 10 watts, and specially large batteries in the motor-car provided a low-tension current. On various occasions the travellers tuned into musical programmes from city stations all over Australia, and church services also came through.

PERMANENT STATION.

Mr. Flynn has just returned to Alice Springs, where he has established permanent wireless headquarters for the Australian Inland Mission, the object of which is to have a chain of stations over the great distances between hostels to enable the services of doctors to be provided with the utmost expedition. This is a serious need, especially for the mothers, who are helping to blaze the trail. In such a fine humanitarian movement aeroplanes will be employed eventually to transport the doctors, and the risk of isolation which settlers have faced for so long and has been a retarding element in the development of the country will be removed. The strength of the Alice Springs station is 50 watts.

Altogether, Central Australia is on the eve of great developments, for a scheme is being organized under which wireless and the ordinary telegraph system will combine in a network of communication, spreading over a vast area of the interior and linking up the entire coastline. There are already in operation several stations in the Northern Territory and inland from Queensland, and these collect messages from further back and transmit them to the land telegraph. What this expedition means to the settlers may be conveyed by the statement that there are many large cattle stations (taking horse and camel distance) which are two and three weeks' journey from a telegraph centre. Apart from business matters, the weather reports are important in the movement of cattle to the markets and the meat works in Northern Australia.

DENMARK AND CHINA.

THE WASHINGTON TREATY.

Copenhagen, Dec. 30.

The Danish Government has notified the United States that Denmark subscribes to the Washington Treaty with reference to the policies to be followed in matters concerning China.—*Reuter.*

PUBLISHER'S WILL.

ESTATE OF $40,000,000.

New York, Dec. 30.

The publisher, Frank Munsey, left forty million dollars. He bequeathed the bulk of his estate to the Metropolitan Art Museum. The trustees have five years in which to realise the estate.—*Reuter's American Service.*

SHANGHAI POLICE.

NEW COMMISSIONER.

Shanghai, Dec. 31.

The Municipal Council has resolved that Captain E. I. M. Barrett will succeed Mr. McEuen as Commissioner of Police, but the appointment has not yet been gazetted.—*Reuter.*

FRENCH FINANCES.

PRAISE FOR M. BRIAND.

Paris, Dec. 30.

The newspapers are pleased at the agreement of the Ministers on the financial proposals, praising the firmness of M. Briand. The Union of the Higher Officers of Registration declares that the fusion of the services charged with the taxation of capital and revenue is indispensable; and the fusion of the Administration Registration and that of direct contributions can be immediately effected. The control thus secured will bring to the Treasury supplementary receipts of several milliards.—*Indopacifi.*

A dance was held in the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club on Boxing night and, as a result, the M1. Submarine Disaster Fund will be augmented to the extent of about $170. During the course of the evening, a pen sketch by Mr. J. E. Hancock was raffled, and was won by Mr. P. E. F. Stone with ticket No. 30. By this means a further sum of $240 has been raised, making a grand total of $410, which will be forwarded in due course to the proper quarter.

AIRSHIP INVENTION.

GREAT SAVING IN COST OF LANDING.

According to Dr. Eckener, pilot of the ZR3 on the trip to America, a process invented by two young students of Berlin University has every chance of revolutionising the filling and landing of airships.

As these ships cannot land without letting off gas, which is dangerous in the case of hydrogen, and expensive in that of helium, this new process aims at starting with heated gas whose cooling would be regulated during the trip and thus enable the ship to descend with the required reduction of volume. The gas would be heated by electricity, and the cost be very slight, as only a low temperature is necessary. This heating would be easy enough from the technical standpoint, as the energy could be obtained from any central station close at hand. On board 2,000 h.p. of electrical energy would be available.

Dr. Eckener is inclined to see in this revolution the basis for a whole fleet of helium ships. At the present moment the whole helium output for one year, 100,000 cubic metres, is used for the upkeep of one Zeppelin. This makes it a very costly proceeding indeed, as the cost of one cubic metre of helium gas is three dollars. The gas which is let off before landing escapes, and is completely lost, and a new filling is necessary before starting again. Not only would this necessity be obviated, but the amount of helium saved at the outset would greatly reduce running expenses.

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A few cents a day now ensures a substantial sum of money a few years ahead, perhaps at the time you will need it most.

The policy may mature at an opportune moment, to enable you to pay off a mortage or bring financial security when your earning power is on the wane.

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Phone Central 1122. Hongkong.

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OVER TWENTY YEARS EXPERIENCE in the Electro-deposition of Metals in Hongkong places us in a position to offer reliable and efficient service for the plating of articles in Gold Silver, Nickel and Copper.

Artistic finishes in Bronze, Antique Copper, and Oxydized Silver.

Polished and Lacquered Brassware.

William C. Jack & Co., Ltd.
Electrical Engineers,
Tel Central 358. Hongkong.

THE LATE MR. H.H. TAYLER.

LARGE GATHERING AT THE FUNERAL.

The esteem in which the late Mr. H. H. Taylor was held, was demonstrated in striking manner yesterday when a large and influential gathering attended at the Catholic Cemetery at Happy Valley to pay their last respects. In addition to representatives from various business houses, associations and other bodies, there were many friends present.

The coffin was borne by six members of the staff of the China Provident Loan and Mortage Co.

The Rev. Father Spada, Vicar Apostolic of Hongkong, conducted the burial service.

The principal mourners were Mr. and Mrs. A. Fothergill (brother-in-law and sister), Mrs. Jowett (sister), Mrs. Reitan (sister) and Mrs. J. R. Capell.

There were also present Messrs. I. W. Shewan, A. L. Shields, F. Kew, J. Witchell, W. Logan, A. R. Forbes, G. E. Faulkner, R. H. Skelton, and a very large number of Chinese friends, including Messrs. Tong Hok-ting, and Tsang Foo.

The Floral Tributes.

Floral tributes were sent by his sorrowing wife, Archie, Evelyn, Lance and Irene; from Alice, Percy and George; Mabel, Lorentz and Gus; Mr. and Mrs. Fothergill, Charles and Emma, Mrs. J. R. Capell, Ethel and Robert, Mr. Robert Shewan.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Murray and family, Mr. and Mrs. U. Gonel'a, Captain and Mrs. H. S. Hurle Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Witchell, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Reed and family, Mr. and Mrs. F P. da Silva, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. and Miss de Sousa, Captain and Mrs. E. H. Histed, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Nash, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Edgecumbe, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Lammert.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bunje, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lawson and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mackenzie, Mrs. N. S. Moses and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. C. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lammert, Mr. and Mrs. W. Cooper Passmore, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Brister.

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THE RUBBER MARKET.

LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS BY CABLE.

Price of Rubber.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have received a cable from Singapore notifying that the rubber market is active, and stating that the price of raw rubber is $1.57¼ per lb. They also notify that the Glenealy Plantations Ltd. has declared a 30% final dividend for account 1925, and a 10% interim dividend for account of next year.

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Kempas	11.00	
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New Serendahs	5.75	
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Punggors'	1.90	
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Sendais	4.60	
Sungei Bagans	6.00	
Tapahs	32.50	
Tambalaks	1.95	
Teluk Ansons	18.50	
United Malaccas	3.65	
Utan Simpans	5.75	

Latest Quotations.

London, Dec. 29.

Rubber sheet is quoted 48d. per lb. spot and 47d. forward three months.—*Indo-Pacific.*

SWEDISH ROYALTY.

PROBABLE VISIT TO JAPAN AND CHINA.

Stockholm, Dec. 30.

It is rumoured that the American trip planned by the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Sweden in the summer will be extended to Japan and China, but up to the present no definite decision has been reached.—*Reuter.*

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THE RAPALLO CONVERSATIONS.

CONSOLIDATION OF PEACE OF EUROPE.

Rome, Dec. 30.

Beyond the broad statement that the conversations have been cordial and have "proved the possibility of efficaciously pursuing the collaboration at present existing between the two countries with the view to harmonising various interests for consolidation of the peace of Europe," little light is thrown on the Rapallo conversations by the official communique.

It is believed that imminent negotiations in London for a settlement of Italy's debt was one of the chief topics discussed.—*Reuter.*

RUBBER RESTRICTION.

NO AMERICAN TRADE REPRISALS SANCTIONED.

New York, Dec. 30.

An evening dispatch from Washington states that Mr. Hoover declared that the Administration would not sanction measures in anywise savouring of trade reprisals against nations now accused of extorting excessive prices for raw materials, notably rubber and coffee.

The *Daily Telegraph*, discussing the United States' attitude in regard to rubber prices, stresses the fact that if it had not been for the Stevenson scheme prices would have been incalculably higher to-day in consequence of reduced supplies which would have ensued as a result of non-cultivation.—*Reuter's American Service.*

STEAM LAUNCH WING FAT.

POOR BIDDING AT YESTERDAY'S AUCTION.

The sale of the steam launch Wing Fat attracted a large number to Messrs. Lammert's auction rooms yesterday afternoon, but the bidding was extremely poor and the boat was knocked down to Mr. Leung King at the abnormally low price of $2,800.

The launch was put up as she lay at the Sam Yick Wharf, Mongkok, with all equipment and fittings, her dimensions being length 71 feet, beam 13 feet and depth 10 feet.

Opening at $20,500, with bids of $100 acceptable, it was a long time before any increase was made and thereafter bidding was very slow. Three more bids concluded the sale as stated above.

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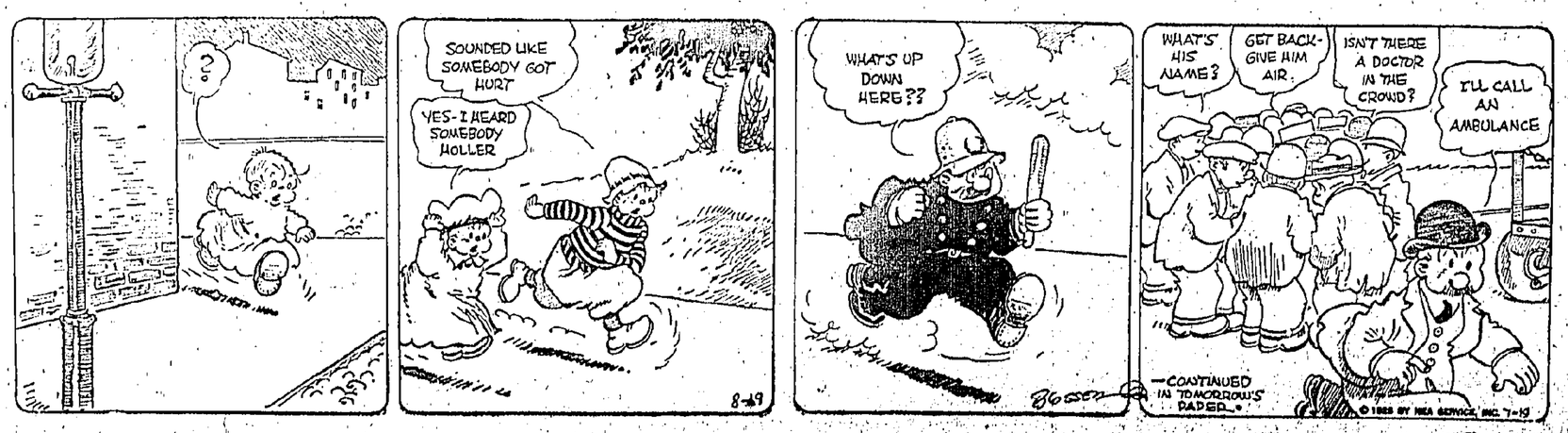

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Arthur Van Langenberg, sisters and brother-in-law gratefully thank their relatives and friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent bereavement also for floral tributes sent and attendance at the funeral.

The Telegraph

THURSDAY, DEC. 31, 1925.

RETROSPECT.

It can hardly have fallen to the lot of a local editorial writer to review a year in Hongkong's history more kaleidoscopic than the twelvemonth which is about to come to a close. Had we penned these lines three months ago we should have had to admit that no clear forecast of the immediate future were possible, for events were shaping themselves with no definite trend, and good or evil could just as easily have been the harvest of the morrow. Fortunately for our retrospect, however, there has come a marked change, and while the international issues that have involved this Colony in a big tidal backwash have still to be defined, the past few weeks have served to remove a great deal of the gloom which would otherwise have shadowed the closing days of a tragic year. On the eve of the New Year, we can look forwards to a period at least glimmering with the promise of a gradual return to normal life and peaceful intercourse with those with whom we have recently been near open enmity. If any bitterness remains, it were well to take this opportunity of conceding a point and starting the year 1926 with a mind purged of prejudice and open to acceptance of a new, and perhaps strengthened, friendship with our neighbours. Unfortunate misunderstandings have arisen: let us do our share in brushing them aside.

The year 1925 opened with Hongkong at the summit of a wave of prosperity, only partly subdued by the inevitable reaction to the commercial boom of the previous two years. That there had been some rash optimism was realised, and the period in view commenced with a return to a saner outlook in matters of finance. Yet, while speculative fever was less in evidence, there was no lack of appreciation of the fact that the Colony had entered an era of rapid progress, for which it behoved all to be prepared. No clouds of any importance marred the prospect, and there was every reason to expect that only a few years hence would witness even greater expansion in every direction. The first quarter of the year saw the inauguration of ambitious programmes of development, and even larger schemes were in project. There were not wanting occasional rumours of industrial trouble, and certain trades were involved in disputes which set up problems that, whilst annoying, were not insuperable. Then came the change: The middle of the year saw us definitely, and unexpectedly, drawn within a whirlpool that was not of our making.

It is unnecessary to refer more explicitly to events which must be fresh in the minds of nearly everyone here. We have passed—and we trust it has been for good—through a period of grave crisis, when perhaps we did not all keep as collected as the occasion demanded. It is easy to be wise after the event, and no-one can pretend to have known, in those days of uncertainty, how matters were likely to turn out. The community, as a whole, bore itself admirably throughout a trying period, and the brighter dawn that followed was a tribute to its fortitude. Faced with many difficulties, the Hongkong administration and public alike have settled down to make the best of things, and happily there has now arisen a better spirit of goodwill between this Colony and the neighbouring Chinese province of Kwangtung. We think the misunderstandings of the past few months have served to emphasise the necessity for mutual friendly intercourse; and the responsible elements concerned have recently given evidence of their appreciation of the opportunites for an amicable solution of all problems. We trust that such misunderstandings as still exist will, ere long, be finally removed. With those who have, from time to time, given public utterance of their optimism as to the Colony's future, we are fully in accord. And it may be that we are passing through this trial but to emerge to a greater understanding of our fine heritage, and a better knowledge of how to consolidate the edifice which our predecessors have so ably founded.

The French Problem.

The French political situation is as confused as it could possibly be, and the Cabinet goes from crisis to crisis over the settling of the financial problem. Boiled down, it all means that France has to find a lot more money than she has been doing of recent years and that the various interests and groups are trying to get off with as light a share of that extra burden as possible. The various suggestions, such as increased income tax, tobacco duties, taxes on business and stock exchange transactions, a direct capital levy and other money-raising expedients are being urged and resisted by the different political groups, all of which realise that money has to be raised, but all of which are equally anxious to see their own plan of action followed. The strength of the various political parties, groups, combines, etc., is much too even for any one group to get the necessary margin of power to make its will effective, and so there has to be temporising, and placating concessions first to one and then other. But M. Briand has, at long last, taken a firm stand and he has told the various groups that this is not the time for Ministerial crises but for work, and that even if some of the Cabinet members resign he will get others to fill their places without resigning himself. Reuter tells us that this action has averted another crisis and that the outlook is much cheerier. M. Doumer's latest proposals, which have been fully set out by Reuter, appear to be drastic but they seem to have been fashioned on the lines most likely to get money from all classes, and that is the formula for which France has long been looking. If M. Briand's strength of will can carry these proposals through before the end of the year and before he has been forced to throw his hand in, he will have performed yet another high and signal service for his country.

"LITTLE HSU" ENTERTAINED AT SHANGHAI

This picture shows a tea party given last week at the Majestic Hotel, Shanghai, by Mr. Hsu Yuan, Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, to General Hsu Shu-tseng, better known as "Little Hsu," news of whose assassination was received here last night. Consular representatives and Chinese officials attended the party. General Hsu is on the right near the centre lights, and with him is Comm. G. de Rossi, Italian Consul-General.

DAY BY DAY.

THE YEAR IS GOING, LET HIM GO.—*Tennyson.*

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There will be no issue of the *Hongkong Telegraph* to-morrow. We take this opportunity of wishing all our readers a Happy New Year.

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The Standard Oil Co. has issued a very effective desk pad for 1926.

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The s.s. Arafura left Moji yesterday and is due here on January 3rd.

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One English case of diphtheria was notified yesterday from Kowloon.

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The Observatory forecast for New Year's Day is:—N.E. winds, fresh; overcast, some drizzle or mist.

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The Netherland Indian Government has rescinded the orde. by which Swatow was declared a place infected by cholera.

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Owing to inclement weather, the hockey match which had been arranged to take place at the U.S.R.C. ground, Kowloon, last evening, between Hongkong Hockey Club first eleven, and a team from H.M.S. Hawkins, was cancelled.

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It is announced that for the convenience of customers, Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., will open their Grocery Department on Saturday morning from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. The Peak Store will be opened on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd of January the same hours as on Sundays.

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Issued by the distillers of the well-known "White Horse" whisky, Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., the local agents, are distributing to customers an admirable pocket diary for 1926. It contains much interesting information on a variety of subjects, and is nicely bound in leather.

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Major Abe and Mr. Kawachi, the two Japanese aviators who made a successful flight from Japan to Europe via Siberia, under the auspices of the *Asahi Shimbun*, of Osaka and Tokyo, have just passed through Hongkong by the N.Y.K. steamer, Kashima Maru, on their way home.

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Yesterday morning, a male Chinese visited the Lunatic Asylum and represented himself to be the brother of a patient. He explained he wanted to take the patient and his goods away, but on being questioned he failed to convince the officials of the correctness of his statement, and he was arrested.

AUSTRALIA'S TEST TEAM.

THE FIRST TWELVE SELECTED.

Melbourne, Dec. 30.

The following team has been selected for the forthcoming tour in England:—

Collins, Ponsford, Bardsley, Oldfield, Gregory, Taylor, Macartney, Andrews, Ryder, Mailey, Grimmett, and Hendry.

The final three will be selected not later than January 30. The Board of Control has appointed Collins to be captain and Bardsley vice-captain. Collins, Bardsley and Ryder will be the selection committee.

The second Australian trial match fixed for February 5 has been abandoned.—*Reuter.*

H. L. Collins (New South Wales) captain. This will be the fourth occasion on which Collins has represented the Commonwealth against England, and his second appearance in the field as captain. He achieved the distinction of scoring a century, 104, in his first Test match at Sydney in 1920-21 season. He scored 162 at Adelaide the same year. Collins is a left-hand bowler of some merit.

W. Bardsley (New South Wales), vice-captain. A first wicket batsman Bardsley is still going strong although he is on the wrong side of forty. Until Sutcliffe's magnificent effort in Australia last year, Bardsley was the only cricketer who had obtained two separate hundreds in a Test match. He accomplished the feat on his first visit to England in 1909.

W. H. Ponsford (Victoria). Ponsford has not previously visited England with an Australian Test side. He is generally regarded as the wonder of the age as a scoring machine. Only twenty-four years of age, the manner in which he has gone along smashing records augurs well for him to become Australia's right-hand Clem Hill. Yet for the first ten minutes in his first Test innings he batted against Maurice Tate like a tyro. That he is not may be shown from the fact that he scored a hundred in his first appearance against Queensland, against South Australia, against Tasmania, against New South Wales (two hundreds in that match) and against West Australia. He made the world's record score in a first class match against Tasmania hitting the bowling for 429. Ten hundred in twenty-two innings at one time in his career; a thousand runs with an average of 119.23. He gets the greater portion of his runs in front of the wicket and is a brilliant field into the bargain.

W. A. Oldfield (New South Wales). A wicket-keeper and an excellent bat he needs little introduction. This will be his third visit to England though he is but 28.

J. M. Gregory (New South Wales). Gregory is Australia's fastest bowler and one of her finest bats. Thirty years of age, he has had many seasons of Test cricket. In 1921 he took 120 wickets and scored 1171 runs whilst on tour in England. He has two centuries to his credit in the matches.

C. G. Macartney (New South Wales). Has played in all matches since the war both in England and Australia. He claims a century in both countries. He also played in 1912 when in all matches he totalled 2,207 runs for an average of 45.04. Against Notts in 1921 he scored his highest individual total 345. In that year he scored four centuries in successive matches, 105, 193, 345 and 115.

J. M. Taylor (New South Wales). Taylor is a seasoned player with many triumphs to his credit. Amongst his big partnerships was one with Bardsley against South Australia in 1920-21 when they added 345 runs for the 3rd wicket. He is one of the most consistent players at the disposal of the Commonwealth, and is seen at his best in a tight corner.

T. J. E. Andrews (New South Wales). Is thirty-five years of age and has a long experience of Test cricket. While his achievements have not run along sensational lines, Andrews is one of the most consistent players in the side. He is an excellent field.

J. S. Ryder (Victoria). One of the most difficult men to dislodge if once allowed to get set. Was with Armstrong's victorious 1921 team and has played since.

A. A. Mailey (New South Wales). A googly bowler who found English wickets much to his liking in 1921. He bowled consistently well throughout the tour and against Gloucester in August of that year he took all ten wickets.

C. V. Grimmitt (South Australia). Suddenly became famous by taking five wickets in the first innings of the Fifth Test last March and six wickets in the second. He is 5 feet 7 inches in height, weighs 9 at 7lbs. and is thirty two years of age. His slow right-hand propelling force has been described as bewildering and he occasionally sends along a googly. His delivery is uncommon. He seems to propel the ball with a stiff arm without taking it over, nor extending his arm to its full height.

H. L. Hendry (New South Wales). Hendry is a clever all-rounder who is paying is second visit to England since the war.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., advertise that all departments will be closed on Friday, January 1, excepting the dispensing department of the Hongkong Dispensary, which will be open for the dispensing of prescriptions only from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. On Saturday, 2nd, all departments will remain open as usual.

The many friends of Mr. Douglas Jenkins, American Consul General, of the Canton Consular District, will be pleased to know that he has received promotion in rank to Class 2. Americans in the district will also be gratified to know that the Canton Consular office is now in charge of an officer of the same rank as the Consulate General at Hongkong and Tientsin. The promotion is well deserved as during the trying times of the past year, Mr. Jenkins has served his compatriots strenuously. It will be recalled that at the annual meeting of the American Association of South China, a strong resolution of appreciation of the services of Consul General Jenkins was adopted.

SINGAPORE LETTER.

The Problem of the States—The Rubber Boom.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, Dec. 19.

We have had the momentous meeting of the Federal Council in Kuala Lumpur, and although the extent to which Malayan politics can be expected to interest Hongkong is a doubtful question, the decentralisation proposals of Sir Laurence Guillemard have so occupied the public attention this week that there is nothing else to talk about. In order to understand what all the fuss is about, the conscientous citizen has been compelled this week to wade through three solid newspaper pages on the "pro" side and at least another page on the "con" side, not to speak of reams of editorial comment, some of it so acrid that His Excellency was driven to express the hope that the healthy atmosphere prevailing in the Federal Council Chamber would spread far and wide over Malaya, and even penetrate into certain editorial chambers. The trouble with which Sir Laurence Guillemard is attempting to deal is over-centralisation of the administration of the Federated Malay States. The Federation has been a conspicuous success, and a finer example of wisdom and foresight in colonial government could not be found, but it was never intended that the Malay rulers should be anything but independent sovereigns within their own territories, subject always to their undertaking to accept the advice of the British Residents on all matters except those of native religion an custom. Owing mainly to the rapid development of these States, and the consequent construction of road and rail system, telegraphs, and other public services and systems which are common to the whole federal area, there has been an increasing tendency to deal in the F.M.S. capital with matters that were properly the concern of the State Councils, and this has been resented by the rulers and their Residents, who felt that the Chief Secretary of the Federal Government was behaving altogether too much like a Governor. Sir Laurence Guillemard, of course, is the High Commissioner of the federated and unfederated states, as well as Governor of the Straits Settlements, and the two offices are entirely distinct.

AN UNPOPULAR MEASURE.

The crux of Sir Laurence's policy is "to gradually distribute between the rulers-in-council, the Residents, and possibly the heads of federal departments, so many of the powers now vested in the Chief Secretaryship as will in effect gradually amount to the abolition of that office as at present constituted." It is also proposed to increase the legislative and financial authority of the State Councils. First impressions of the scheme are likely to harden into very definite opposition among most Europeans living in the federal area. There is general agreement with the official desire to increase the dignity and importanc of the Malay Sultans, who do not, as a matter of fact, enjoy anything like the same prestige that their fellow-royalties in the unfederated states command, and it is undoubtedly possible for these states to have a generous measure of local self-government, but the abolition of the chief secretaryship, the powerful executive head of the federal administration, is certain to be bitterly opposed. The unofficial members of the Federal Council, who represent the planting and commercial interests in the F.M.S., have already made up their minds about that. In a joint statement they say:—"It is absolutely essential that there should always be a resident executive head of the federal govrnmnt having a status at least equal to that of the Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settlements." If they carry that point there will be nothing of importance left in the proposals, save minor adjustments, but the unofficials go further and make an important constructive suggestion, which is that H.M. the King's representative in Malaya should be High Commissioner for the whole country, having authority over the Governor of the Colony, the executive head in Kuala Lumpur and the Residents and Advisers in the unfederated states.

CHANGING WITH THE TIMES.

The whole matter is one that needs very careful thought, because changes of the character proposed may have far-reaching effects in the Federation. The unofficial members have asked for a confidential conference with the most experienced officers in the federal administration, and they are more than likely to get support in their attitude from that quarter. One impression left by reading Sir Laurence Guillemard's speeches on this subject is that he is altogether too occupied with the feelings of the Malay Sultans. Conditions in Malaya have changed entirely since the Federation was planned. European capital has poured into the country, and it would never have come here had it not been assured of a form of government which ensured unity of legislation and administration. Sir Laurence complains that the federation has become an amalgamation. That is true, and the four states which comprise it would not be to-day the most developed and the wealthiest of the nine states under British protection if that were not the case. Inevitably the four states have been developed as a unit, and they are now regarded for all practical purposee as one political area. If that process has entailed some trespass upon the rights of the rulers, by all means retrace a few steps, but to attempt to reconcile commercial development with independence so uncontrolled that the state is set before the federation is impossible in the year 1926. A Singapore editor puts the matter thus:—"The federation is a British idea, and it has been worked on British administration principles with very great advantages indeed to the Peninsula. In so far as Sir Laurence Guillemard has conveyed the idea that the only thing that matters in Malaya is the personal opinions of native rulers on matters outside their own States, the effect of all that he has said and done can only be described as lamentably mischievous."

GREAT DAYS IN THE F.M.S.

All this shows you how complicated life can be in a country which is geographically a unit, but contains three political systems, all slightly jealous of each other. However, this division of government has done Singapore no harm, because the condition of its prosperity laid down by Sir Stamford Raffles that it should be a free port has always been observed, and this principle triumphed even when it came into conflict with the restriction machinery some time ago. Upcountry they are able to take their political troubles lightly enough, thanks to the boom, an indication of which may be found in the fact that hotel accommodation in Kuala Lumpur has never been so taxed as during the last two months. The eight million sterling which *Truth* spoke of as having been put into rubber during recent months is not an understatement, judging from the amount of money which is coming into the country for rubber investment, mainly in planted properties at present. *Many Chinese owners are seizing* the chance to sell out at the crest of the boom, but they will probably put their money back into rubber again. There is much talk of road and rail schemes to open up Pahang, the one federated state with vast areas of jungle left, and the Government may be trusted to meet all demands in this respect.

There is little space left to tell you of a new hydro-electric scheme to be carried out by Armstrong Whitworth's, which will be the largest industrial undertaking in the Malay Peninsula, costing two and a half million sterling, and requiring four years to complete. A huge dam across the Perak River will provide a supply of cheap electrical power for several towns in Perak and will be conducted through the heart of the tin-mining industry in the Kinta Valley. Half the cost has been guaranteed by the British Government, so that the derision with which the Liberal and Labour press greeted the establishment of the Trade Facilities Committee, and the voting of a large sum for Imperial development, was without foundation so far as Malaya was concerned.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

RETURN TO LEAGUE STRUGGLES.

[BY "WANDERER."]

The week-end will see a complete return to the League programme and there are several matches of considerable interest on the card.

The Club entertain South China on the Club ground and an interesting struggle for points is ensured, the more so since the Club took both points when last the clubs met. The Chinese will not be at full strength and I understand there is a likelihood that Chan So will take his place in the forward line. The Club team is Scottish almost throughout, and New Year's Day may or may not have some influence on the result.

The Tamar play their return game with the East Surreys. The Surreys won the previous game by seven clear goals and since they appear to have reformed after defeat at the hands of the Club they are expected to win comfortably.

The acquisition of players from the 12th newly arrived Battery does not appear to have effected any noticeable improvement in the Royal Artillery side, and they can scarcely hope to defeat Kowloon. Kowloon have suffered the loss of Mason, injured, and Andy Duncan, but should find the net more than once.

The Club de Recreio will play their match with the Police on the Kowloon ground. The Police will be more difficult to defeat than their record would indicate and it would come as no great surprise if the wooden-spoonists gained their second victory.

The Royal Artillery Reserves and Kowloon Reserves will try conclusions at Kowloon. The R. A. team is undefeated, though three of their matches have been drawn. Kowloon will be weakened by the demands of the first eleven and they will need to play hard for success.

The Surreys Reserves have a comparatively easy match with the Club de Recreio Reserves, the Club Reserves are unlikely to upset the aspirations of South China 'B," while a necessarily hard struggle between the Drums and St. Joseph's should result in a win for the improved college team.

The "Third" Division re-commences its programme.

With reference to to-morrow's match at Sookunpoo between the Army and the Navy, the G. O. C. has kindly consented to kick-off at four o'clock. A football presented by the Hongkong Football Association will be raffled at half-time, and tickets at 20 cents each will be obtainable on the ground.

The match will be refereed by Mr. R. Cassidy, of the Dockyard, who will be making his fifth consecutive appearance in this annual fixture.

Price of admission is 50 cents to the covered stand which includes a seat until there is no further room, and 30 cents to the uncovered stand. The whole of the proceeds will be devoted to various Naval and Military charities.

The following teams have been selected to represent the Kowloon Football Club:

1st XI v. R.G.A.—Sookunpoo "A" Ground, kick-off 4 p.m.:—Vickers; Wheeler and Urquhart; Turner, Sims and McKelvie; Taylor, McBride, Linaker, Read and Hayes.

Reserves v. R. A. Reserves.—Kowloon Ground, kick-off 2.30 p.m.:—Rasmussen; Guest and Knight; Street, Pasco and Ollier; Morris, Brown, Caveille, Miles and Eastman.

Kowloon "B" v. Surreys Drums Res.—Sookunpoo "B" Ground, kick-off 2.30 p.m.:—Nicholls; Spary and Bliss; White, Hast and Hedley; Jordan, Ross, Thomson, Duncan and Mason W. M. Reserves:—Elkins.

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Warsaw, Dec. 30.

Senator Buzek, Reporter to the Foreign Commission Budget, has declared that the attitude adopted by France regarding the coming International Economic Conference, corresponds with the economic interests of Poland.—*Indopacific.*

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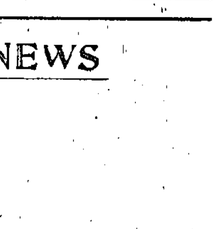

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SCOTTISH LEAGUE RESULT.

London, Dec. 30.

In the Scottish League Morton defeated Aberdeen by two goals to nil.—*Reuter.*

MOTOR BUS MISHAP.

FIVE PASSENGERS DROWNED.

Amsterdam, Dec. 30

A message from Tholen says that a motor bus fell into the Scheldt, five passengers being drowned.—*Reuter.*

LOCAL CRICKET.

CIVIL SERVICE v. NAVY.

To-morrow an all-day match will be played on the Civil Service ground between the Civil Service "A" team and the Royal Navy "A" team. The home eleven will be:—E. W. Hamilton (Capt.), H. G. Wallington, F. Baker, F. E. Lawrence, B. D. Evans, H. F. Harper, H. F. Westlake, H. E. Strange, C. Sara, F. E. Booker and A. N. Other.

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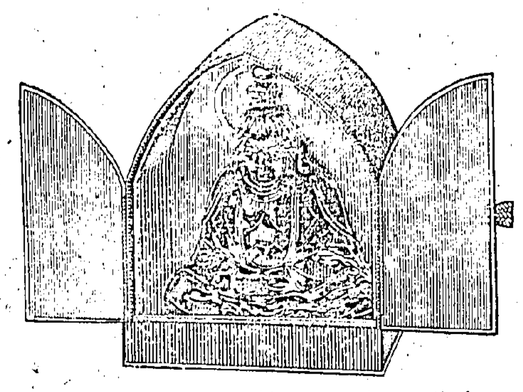

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

DUCHESS OF ATHOLL INTERVIEWED.

The Duchess of Atholl, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Education, and substitute delegate of Great Britain to the Assembly of the League of Nations, in a newspaper interview declared that before the League can become what it should be, a real co-operating agency for the welfare of mankind, it must first of all be understood.

"The subject that interests me most, personally, is that of education," said the Duchess. "You know, no doubt, that the Assembly has decided this year that a committee of experts should examine the best methods of disseminating the aims and achievements of the League among the young people of every nation.

"The educational work undertaken by the League of Nations is specialized; it is not education in the proper sense of the word that it seeks to regulate and co-ordinate. It is simply an attempt to create among the young an atmosphere similar to the atmosphere of Geneva, that of peace, friendship, good will and co-operation, by the study of what has been done to promote peace during the past six years.

Visits and Exchanges.

"I think it would be impossible to write a general book on this subject that would appeal to every country. Each national mentality must be left to develop the subject in the way most suited to it. But the Secretariat by sending resumes and reports of the work done at Geneva can supply the material to each nation on which lessons of contemporary history can be based. I hope much from the visits and exchanges, both individual and collective, of scholars and members of universities, but I consider that in order to understand the country one is visiting it is necessary to understand its language.

"In order to interest children in the intellectual values of other countries they must be talked to about great foreigners, learned men, writers, artists, historians, and they must be made to realize what these men have done for the whole world. Friendship is born of admiration, and in this way all efforts will unite toward the same end.

"I have the greatest admiration for the work accomplished in the Near East for the protection of women and children. The commission in Aleppo, of which Miss Jeppe is president, has succeeded in freeing more than 1,000 Armenian women and in succoring about the same number from slavery. These people were sold in the year 1916. Miss Jeppe hopes to secure the help of the League of Nations to continue this work, for, although it has given its protection in the past, it has, hitherto, not contributed great financial assistance." She continued:

The Sixth Assembly.

"Let us now talk for a moment of the general work accomplished by the sixth assembly of the League. The English delegation is as unanimous as the country it represents, in desiring to maintain by every means possible the work of peace carried on by the League. But it considers that it is impossible to go faster than the events themselves. It is better to go surely—even if one has to go very slowly—and to have a logical and unassailable line of action. The essential fact that should dominate the influence Great Britain wields in the Assembly should be to 'do all that is done thoroughly and well.' It is for that reason we refuse to be hurried, although we do not necessarily refuse the propositions that are made.

"Do not forget that all we take back from Geneva is studied in the most careful way in London, and that our own views as delegates are submitted to detailed criticism. Why, in international legislation, should things be hurried on at a greater rate than in national legislation? Is not the work far more complicated when it touches the interests of 54 nations?

England and League.

"In our opinion, the work that the League of Nations should take in hand is work that cannot be accomplished by any single government. This is a criterion that I think should be applied, and whenever the League feels that its work could be replaced by the action of a particular government, then it should no longer continue in that path. The work to be done should be done together, in a reciprocal spirit of confidence, between the leading men of every nation, and I am sure that with time this will come to pass.

"You ask me if people in England are interested in the work of the League. I will say that the whole English population, without distinction of class, is very much interested in the peace question. I am aware that the League of Nations attracts the attention of the intellectuals more than the less educated. But that simply comes from the fact that a good many of the discussions are too technical for the comprehension of ordinary people, and shows the necessity of world-wide enlightenment."

RIVER BOAT ON FIRE.

KUNG ON DESTROYED.

The s.s. Kung On, which was on the Hongkong-Kongmoon run, and was laid up at Tai Ping market place between Sunwui and Shuntak on the outbreak of the strike, with only a few members of her crew on board, suddenly caught fire on the 23rd inst., at 10 p.m., and, according to the owner of the ship, who is now in the Colony, must have been totally destroyed. The fire raged furiously and soon spread to two firewood junks, which were lying nearby.

The market town was also ignited and about eighty per cent of the shops of the town were burned. The damage suffered by the town alone is estimated to exceed $1,000,000.

The Kung On was a wooden ship, about 400 tons, 176 feet long, and is estimated to be worth about $100,000, including furniture.

RHINE OCCUPATION.

Wiesbaden, Dec. 30.

Official exchange of authority from the French to the British in the Wiesbaden zone, was made this morning, the only outward and visible sign being the lowering of the Tricolour and the hoisting of the Union Jack in its place. The event was marked by a simple military ceremony in the Schloss Platz, where two companies of French infantry, two squadrons of Chasseurs and a detachment of a hundred men of the second Camerons, which is the only regiment up to the present transferred to Wiesbaden from Cologne, paraded and the guard was changed. The Tricolour was lowered to the strains of the Marseillaise, and then the Union Jack was hoisted, the National Anthem being played. A march past concluded the ceremony.—*Reuter.*

MEXICO'S EXTERNAL DEBT.

AGREEMENT APPROVED.

Mexico City, Dec. 30.

The Senate has unanimously approved the agreement settling Mexico's external debt.—*Reuter's American Service.*

In an interview the other day with a correspondent of the Spanish newspaper, "A.B.C.," Signor Mussolini acknowledged the extent of the influence exercised upon his mind by Georges Sorel. "This master of Syndicalism, with his rough-and-ready theories on revolutionary tactics, has contributed decisively in creating the discipline, energy, and power of the Fascist cohorts." Nietzsche delighted the Premier only when he was twenty, and helped him to strengthen his anti-democratic tendencies. The second person ready to influence him was the American philosopher, so diametrically opposed to Croce, whose books Mussolini says he has never read. "William James has helped me in my career," he continues. "James taught me that an act should be judged more by results than by its essence. From him I learnt to put my faith in action and in a flaming determination to live and to struggle, to which Fascismo owes a great part of its success."

THE PORT'S HEALTH.

MEDICAL OFFICER'S RETURN FOR THE YEAR.

The report of Dr. B. H. Mellon, Medical Officer of the Port for the past year, gives some interesting figures, a feature of which is that, in spite of entries from disease infected ports, there were no deaths within 10 hours sail of the port from quarantinable ailments.

During the year, 6,484 inward bound ocean vessels were visited by the Health Officers, of which 2,650 were on British register and 3,834 on foreign register. Three vessels arriving in an unsanitary condition were dealt with under the Merchant Shipping Ordinance and 2,594 Bills of Health were issued.

Ships arriving in port with a corpse on board must obtain a permit from the Health Officer before landing it and before this is granted, enquiries are made in order to determine the cause of death. If a death occurs within ten hours of a ship's arrival in port or whilst the ship is in harbour, the body is inspected and the case is investigated. If for any reason the cause of death is in doubt, the body is sent to the mortuary for further examination. During the year 149 special visits were made to ships for this purpose, 137 permits were granted and 28 bodies sent to the mortuary.

Emigration.

Under the heading of Emigration, it is shown that the total number of emigrants was 130,982, an increase of 10,198 over 1923, 32,692 over 1922 and 71,013 more than for 1919. More than half of these were bound for the Straits Settlements, while approximately equal numbers left for Honolulu, Dutch East Indies and the United States of America. April and May were the most favoured months and February the least favoured. Rejections of medically unfit persons numbered 946.

Free emigrants, that is those who pay their own fares and are as a rule petty traders, totalled 88,428, assisted emigrants, usually engaged on three-year contracts in tin mines, rubber plantations and nitrate deposit workings, numbered 10,605, while the rest of those figuring in the return were mainly wives and children of emigrants.

Quarantine.

The number of vessels arriving in quarantine was 233, with 16,586 passengers and 14,868 crew. Ten vessels, all with cases of small-pox, were detained.

Twenty-nine cases of infectious disease were investigated and found to be due to non-quarantinable disease; these were dealt with in the usual manner. This involved the examination of 311 sick persons and many special visits to ships in the harbour.

The total number of persons medically inspected during 1924 amounted to 219,222, which is equivalent to 600 examinations for each day of the year.

Saigon was declared an infected port on February 7th, owing to the prevalence of small-pox in its neighbourhood, restrictions being withdrawn on July 21st.

The ports of the Dutch East Indies were declared infected on August 19th on account of small-pox and the port of Macassar on account of plague. The restrictions on these ports were still in force at the end of the year.

Vaccination.

The Vaccination Department instituted on January 1, 1924, where emigrants could be cheaply and efficaciously vaccinated, was not taken advantage of to any great extent, but 1,877 emigrants attended, while 4,092 non-emigrants presented themselves for free vaccination.

During the year assistance was rendered to the Health Officer for varying periods by Captains Fettes and Walker, R.A.M.C., and Doctors Smalley, Fehily and Chang.

MOROCCAN WAR.

Paris, Dec. 30.

According to the newspapers M. Briand is informing Mr. Canning, Abd el Krim's representative, that it is impossible for M. Briand to have any relations with him.—*Reuter.*

FRANC RECOVERS.

London, Dec. 30.

The settlement of the French Government's financial proposals has resulted in a notable recovery of the French franc in London this morning to 127 7/8.—*Reuter.*

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AUXILIARIES FOR MOTOR-SHIPS.

USE OF ELECTRICITY.

With the advent of the Diesel engine and the elimination of steam as a source of power for propulsion, marine engineers have turned to electricity for driving their auxiliaries, the electric motor being well suited to such work, says a writer in the *Manchester Guardian Commercial*. In comparison with steam, electrically driven auxiliaries are more convenient to handle and control, and they also save the losses involved in the transmission of steam to auxiliaries, especially those on deck.

Marine control equipment for motor-driven auxiliaries must, of course, be adapted to the conditions found on bound on board ship in order to ensure satisfactory working, and as a general rule the characteristics of marine controllers differ from similar equipment used ashore. Early failures of electricity in marine service were usually traceable to devices that had been manufactured primarily for use on land. Marine control equipment should, generally speaking, be constructed along more rugged lines and should have a larger safety factor than is necessary for land use.

The leading types of marine controllers are made as simple as possible to facilitate maintenance work and the prompt location of trouble. All parts are carefully protected from salt air and moisture, and controllers used on deck or where they are subject to possible water pressure are made water-tight. For certain use where inflammable liquids or gases may be present gas-tight controllers are employed.

An important point that has been demonstrated in service is that such controllers must be provided with contactors which cannot close accidentally due to the rolling of the ship, or open because of violent shock. In fact, all contactors must usually operate satisfactorily when inclined at an angle of 30 degrees from the vertical in any direction. In addition to this precaution, the parts are protected from loosening due to vibration by locknuts or pins.

Resisters used on marine-controlling apparatus must a be carefully protected from corrosion and from damage by shock or vibration. Some resisters are used where the ventilation is restricted, and in such cases correct design is very essential. Registers used on deck where they may be subjected to immersion are protected by water-tight enclosures so arranged that they may be opened for ventilation when in actual operation.

In many of the later types of motor-ships the auxiliaries are electrified throughout, and those auxiliaries in the engine-room are controlled from a central point. The electrician on watch is responsible for starting the various pumps and other machinery when signalled by bell and pilot light from the unit to started. The signal is given by pressing a push button at the auxiliary, and this continues until the electrician closes the line circuitbreakers. The auxiliary motor may be stopped automatically by pushing the stop button near by.

The deck auxiliaries are handled through manually-operated controllers from stations convenient to the auxiliaries, and the capstan motor is controlled by means of a drum controller placed on a bulkhead below deck. This controller is fitted with a shaft which extends up through the deck and on the top of which is an operating handle. The handle is placed adjacent to the capstan barrel, so that the driver has an unobstructed view.

HOUSE BUILDING

BRITAIN'S "RECORD" PROGRESS.

During the past 12 months a "record" number of houses has been built in Britain, writes the *Times* Parliamentary correspondent. The highest total in any year hitherto was in 1905, when the number of houses built was 129,000. In the year ended September 30 last the total was 159,476, of which 92,291 were built with a State subsidy, and 67,185 without a subsidy. Of the total, no fewer than 140,000 may be described as houses for the working classes in that their rateable value does not exceed £26.

In the month of September 10,500 subsidized houses were completed by the local authorities under the Housing Acts, and recently the delivery of new houses has attained the rate of about 40 a week in London and Liverpool, and about 75 a week in Birmingham. As it is estimated that about 100,000 new houses are needed every year in order to provide accommodation for new families and to replace houses that are demolished, a real beginning has been made with the wiping off of arrears which accumulated during the war years.

There is every prospect that the figures for the coming 12 months will be even more satisfactory, and in that event the Government will be distinctly nearer their goal of providing a sufficient number of houses to enable the Rent Restriction Act to come to an end, in order that there may again be free competition in the letting and selling of houses. At present it seems that it will be feasible to remove rent restriction in England and Wales at an earlier date than in Scotland, where, it is agreed, the position is very unsatisfactory.

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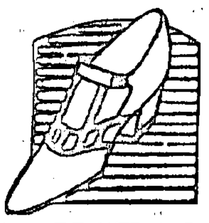

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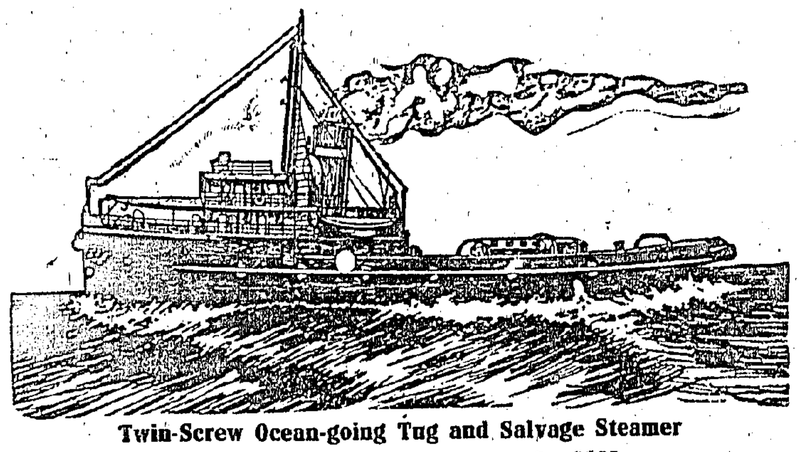

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MISHIMA MARU ... ... Wednesday, 24th Feb.
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TOTTORI MARU ... ... Sunday, 3rd Jan.
TAMBA MARU ... ... Saturday, 9th Jan.
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NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
MISHIMA MARU ... ... Sunday, 10th Jan.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
KASHIMA MARU ... ... Wednesday, 30th Dec.
AKITA MARU... ... ... Wednesday, 30th Dec.
TOKUSHIMA MARU ... ... Thursday, 31st Dec.
HAKONE MARU ... ... Tuesday, 12th Jan.

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SERVICES CONTRACTUELS

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AMBOISE			5th Jan.
AMAZONE			19th Jan.
FONTAINEBLEAU	4th Dec.	6th Jan.	3rd Feb.
D'ARLAGNAN	8th Dec.	20th Jan.	16th Feb.
ANGKOR	1st Jan.	3rd Feb.	2nd Mar.

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CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees of Cargo per Company's Steamers

"OANFA".

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignee's risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 30th December.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th Jan. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 20th Jan. or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

30th December 1925.

S.S. "CAPITAINE FAURE"

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Consignees of Cargo from Dunkirk, Antwerp, London, &c., also cargo from Cognac ex S.S. "COMMANDANT DORISE"

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 4 p.m. to-day requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Landing will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after Tuesday the 29th. instant at noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the Friday, the 1st. Jan. 1926 or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Tuesday, the 29th. inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

No fire insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSER,
Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd Dec., 1925.

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The Steamship

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No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd Jan., 1926 will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 16th Jan., 1926 or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd Jan., 1926 at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, 28th Dec., 1925.

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The G.P.O.—Friday 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., and Saturday 8 a.m. to noon.

Kowloon Branch—Friday 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., and Saturday 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Wantsai, Sheungwan, Saiyingpun and Yaumati Branches—8 a.m. to 9 a.m. each day.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes, and one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day as on Sundays, and also one delivery of registered correspondence each day at 9 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

Postage stamps should be affixed in the right-hand top corner of the address side of all postal articles.

The Radio Service has reverted to normal hours of working.

Telegrams may be handed in at any hour of the day or night during the General Post Office is open at Radio Counter, Main Hall, at all other times Telegrams should be taken through the corner entrance at Pedder Street and Des Voeux Road to the Radio Office on the 3rd floor of the building. These doors will be closed after 10 p.m. but admittance may be obtained by ringing the night-bell.

Radio Traffic with Canton is suspended until further notice.

Interport Radio Telegrams are subject to delay.

Messages in Code must have name of Code used included in text.

The parcel post service to Canton is resumed.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due.
Shanghai	Siakiang	January 1.
Manila	Pres. Wilson	January 1.
Japan	Kamo Maru	January 1.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Russia	January 2.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	January 3.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Koren Maru	January 4.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and S'hai	Pres. Hayes	January 4.
Japan	Arafura	January 5.
Shanghai	Amboise	January 5.
U. S. A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	President Grant	January 6.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Lincoln	January 7.
Australia and Manila	St. Albans	January 8.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Shanghai	Oanfa	Thurs., Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
Weihaiwei	Chipshing	Thurs., Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Chenan	Fri., Jan. 1, 9 a.m.
Amoy	Fook Sang	Fri., Jan. 1, 9 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, R. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kamo Maru	Sat., January 2. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 31st January, 1926.)
Bangkok	Kiungchow	Sat., Jan. 2, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *U.S.A., *Canada, *C. and *S. America and *Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	Pres. Wilson	Sat., Jan 2. Parcels Noon. Registration Noon. Letters Noon. (Due Francisco, 27th Jan., 1926.),
Manila	Emp. of Russia	Sat., Jan. 2, Noon.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun., January 3, 9 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

REPORT ON DEVELOPMENTS IN HONGKONG.

The annual report of the Director of Public Works for the year 1924 is to hand. It shows an expenditure during the year of $11,091,522.08 out of a sum of $13,213,403.59 voted, an increase of $283,008.92 in personal emoluments and other charges, a decrease of $923.73 in special expenditure, an increase of $369,435.89 in annual recurrent works and an increase of $3,396,182.55 in extraordinary works. The increase in the first item was due to an increased staff, in the third item to excesses in Kowloon and the New Territories, and to typhoon and rainstorm damages in Hongkong.

Interesting tables are given showing a comparison of expenditures since 1914, in which year the sum expended was $2,621,205.47, falling in 1916 to $2,227,940.70 and from that time increasing steadily to $7,042,918.45 in 1923 and jumping to $11,091,522.08 last year.

The report states that the outstanding feature of the year's work under the building ordinance was the large number of new houses which were completed, although there was a marked decrease in the number of houses in the course of construction towards the end of the year, owing to the operation of the Rents Restriction Ordinance. The number of certificates granted during the year was 270.

Among the principal works of a private nature completed during the year the following are mentioned: the A. P. C. building on Queen's Road Central, the Queen's Theatre, the China Building, the new offices of the P. and O. Co., the Bank of Canton, the Metropole Hotel and a portion of the new offices of the *S. C. M. Post*.

Typhoons and rainstorms, particularly during the months of May to September, caused numerous landslides and while they were not accompanied with any serious loss of life, they caused much damage and badly scoured the macadamised roads not surfaced with asphaltum. Bowen Road, in particular, was breached in several places as a result of the heavy rains and the collapse of a retaining wall above, necessitating its reconstruction. A serious landslide occurred on the Pokfulam Road, endangering the Elliot filter beds and the Government Quarters above. Other landslides occurred in several other places, particularly on Taitam Road, Deep Water Bay Road, Glenealy, Mount Davis Road, and Stubbs Road.

Over $8,000,000 in Extraordinary Works.

The sum of $8,112,785.19 was expended during the year in public works extraordinary. This expenditure was distributed over a large number of items, among the officers quarters at the rear of Le Calvaire and senior officers' quarters on Mount Gough; overseer's quarters at the Elliot filter beds; cadet quarters at Canton; the new fire brigade station under construction by Messrs. Trollope and Coll; sanitary coolies' quarters at Wan chai, affording accommodation for 350 coolies; alterations and extensions to the Victoria Hospital, including a new central wing containing a doctors' office, dispensary, ward kitchen, duty room, amah's quarters all on the ground floor, and on the first floor a theatre block, ward kitchen, duty room, sanitary block and dry room; the new Saiyingpun school, for which facing bricks had to be obtained from Formosa; formation of the site for the proposed new school on Caroline Hill; the Saiyingpun market; a garage on Stubbs Road; the new infectious diseases hospital; public latrines; the new architectural office; new store and armoury at the Central Police Station; new cells at the Magistracy; extension to sisters' quarters at the Government Civil Hospital; the Queen's pier, work on which during the year was suspended on several occasions owing to financial difficulties between the contractors and the masons; the revolver range on Kennedy Road, providing moving targets for the police department, and many smaller items.

Seventeen full sets of furniture for Government quarters were supplied during the year. In addition, several single articles and part sets were furnished to quarters, and a large number of articles of office furniture were provided for Government departments.

A considerable amount of work was done on public roads.

The road through Quarry Bay village widened; a road built from Tytam Gap to Shek-O; a 20 foot road was extended from Magazine Gap to Victoria Gap, the work being greatly retarded by typhoon and rainstorm damage; the Mount Kellet Road bridge was completed; the road from Wongneichong Gap to Repulse Bay Road was completed; work progressed almost to completion on the road contouring the hillside in Wongneichong and Tai Hang valleys; the Wanchai road was widened to 42 feet; the road from Causeway Bay to North Point, on which there was considerable delay owing to the dilitoriness of the contractor, from whose hands it was finally taken, was completed; Queen's Road East was widened to 60 feet; Connaught Road Central, between Gilman and Hillier Streets and between Pottinger and Jubilee Streets was partially surfaced with asphaltic sand carpeting on a cement concrete foundation, and partially with granite setts, at an expenditure of $64,331.00; Island Road was resurfaced for heavy traffic between Aberdeen and Stanley at a cost of $07,184.14; Caine Road was widened and raised in parts; and consequent on the erection of new buildings, kerbing and channelling operations were executed on several roads in the Colony at a total expenditure of $183,546.20.

Drainage Works.

Extensive drainage works were carried out in many parts. The outfall from below Wanchai Gap to the sea at a point near Aberdeen was completed at a cost of $14,163.57. Fifty-seven other projects were undertaken and 42 of them completed. In all, 243 drain connections were laid at a cost to the Government of $82,831.74.

Under the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, several areas required in connection with street widening and improvement schemes were resumed at an expenditure of $17,878.10.

During the year two new lattice steel masts were erected at Cape D'Aguilar wireless station to replace those blown down in the typhoon of 1923. A new receiving gear was also installed, 11,242 messages being forwarded and 12,473 received during the year as compared with 3,469 forwarded and 8,066 received in 1923. A new receiving gear was installed at the Observatory to enable European time signals to be received.

A school for wireless telegraph operators was inaugurated during the year and 20 students were enrolled, 75 per cent of whom turned out successful.

The work of redraining the existing developed area between Arsenal Street, Causeway Bay, Queen's Road and the existing Praya, rendered necessary by the Praya East scheme, was continued during the year. Sewers were completed in six streets and storm water drains in eight.

The sum of $267,180.48 was expended in connection with the new Kowloon hospital. In the case of many of the proposed Kowloon improvements, it was found impossible to continue with the projects during the year. Considerable work was done on the Chatham Road extension from Hunghom to Kowloon City; work was maintained on the Waterloo Road extension; $19,823.07 was expended on the new road through King's Park; 27 roads were macadamised, kerbed and channelled in Kowloon; and work proceeded on the Kowloon Bay West reclamation, $17,878.50 being expended.

To combat mosquito breeding, considerable trenching was carried out in Kowloon, South of Boundary Street between the railway and Kowloon City. Fifty-five projects of storm water drains and sewers were undertaken during the year and all but seven were completed.

King's Park.

The number of drain connections made was 720, at a Government expense of $52,087.55. In King's Park the sum of $73,751.20 was [illegible] laying out the grounds for recreation purposes. About 135,000 cubic yards of material were excavated and about 17,500 yards of turf were laid.

Work on the Shamshuipo police station progressed during the year, $59,533.65 being expended. On the police station, Kowloon City, $59,176.23 was expended. Progress was made on the foundations for the new gaol at Ngau Shi Wan to accommodate 1,000 prisoners. The new police station at Shatin was left uncompleted because of the delay on the part of the contractor.

Work was done on many of the new roads in the New Territories. Portions of Laichikok, Castle Peak and Tai Po roads were metalled and tar painted; work was commenced on eleven bridges; Tai Po road was widened and improved; good progress was made on the Fanling-Shatinkok road. Twenty-one projects of sewers and storm water drains were undertaken and all but two completed. The number of drain connections made was 319.

For the Kaulungtong development scheme 137 resumptions were made. The total amount of the payments approved for these resumptions was $58,377.17, but owing to the refusal of certain owners to recognise the authority of the Boards of Arbitration and to accept the amounts awarded as compensation, and further as certain of the payments approved could not be made before the end of the year, a sum of $51,030.07 was refunded, making the net expenditure for the year $6,441.10.

THE DEFENCE CORPS.

LATEST CORPS ORDERS.

Corps orders issued by Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, D. S. O., state:

FIELD DAY.

10th January, 1926.

The Field Day on 10th January, 1926, will be held between Taipo Market and Fanling. Any members who have failed to attend the preceding Field Days are reminded that this will be their last opportunity for making themselves efficient on the count of attendance at Field Days.

Rendezvous Kowloon Station at 9 a.m.

Return by 3.11 p.m. train from Fanling.

Operation orders will be issued to O.'sc. units.

Dress: Uniform, helmet, khaki, jacket, shorts, putties, bayonet, belt, braces, pouches, haversack and waterbottle.

Arms: Will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, 8th January, between 10 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, 9th January, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

RESERVE COMPANY.

Musketry Courses Part I.

Part I. Musketry Course will be fired at Stonecutters' Range on Sunday, 10th January, 1926.

Range Officer: 2nd-Lieut. G. K. Hall Brutton.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform optional, but rifles, bayonets and pouches must be taken.

Arms: Will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, 8th January, between 10 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, 9th January, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

TESTS.

The following N. C. O.'s and men of the Engineer Company were trade tested on 17th December 1925, under the direction of C. R. E., China Command, and passed the prescribed tests as under:—

Engine Drivers:—No. 454 Lce.-Corpl. V. H. C. Jarrett, No. 763 Spr. S. R. Jones, and No. 617 Spr. F. E. Nicholson.

Electricians:—No. 101 Sergt. T. Bolt, No. 459 Corpl. M. A. Johnson, No. 728 Spr. A. W. W. Salter, No. 915 Spr. C. E. Taveres, No. 852 Spr. J. H. Shaw and No. 691 Bugler G. Fowler.

TRANSFER.

No. 672 Pte. J. H. Austin, No. 2 Platoon, is permitted to transfer to the Reserve Company, as from 10th December, 1925.

LEAVE.

No. 431 C.Q.M.S. R. J. Tyler, No. 430 Sergt. M. D. Coupland, Engineer Company, are granted 12 months' leave from 1st January, 1926, to 31st December 1926.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following are permitted to resign from the Corps, as from 31st December, 1925, and 21st January, 1926, respectively:—

No. 605 Pte. W. H. Lock, No. 1 Platoon.

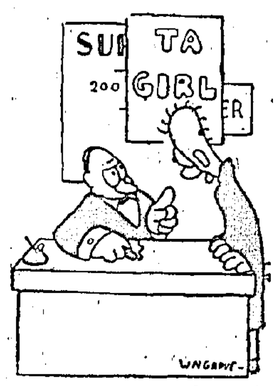
No. 464 Bugler R. H. J. Brooks, Engineer Company.

MARKSMAN.

The following has qualified as marksman and is entitled to wear the badge for one year:—

No. 999 Pte. McLennan, K.C., No. 5 Platoon, 90 points.

L. D. JOLL, Captain,
Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.
Hongkong, December 31st, 1925.



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WHERE WOMEN RULE.

RACE OF VEILED MEN IN DESERT.

A strange race of "Veiled Men," known as the Tuareg, who live in the Sahara, were discussed by Mr. Francis Rodd at the Royal Geographical Society the other day.

"The most striking peculiarity of the Tuareg," said Mr. Rodd, "is that the men go about veiled. Nothing is visible of their faces but the eyes, which peer through a narrow slit between the upper and lower folds of the long bandage-like veil.

"Their women never veil themselves at all. If they draw a fold of stuff half over their faces it is out of coquetry or in token of respect, but not to conceal their charms.

EVENING PARTIES.

"Among the Tuareg the women are as free, if not freer, than in England. They choose their own husbands, and they are the repositories of learning and the art of poetry.

"They teach the children to write and to read and the lore of their people. They have men friends, and give evening parties to recite poetical compositions.

"They may own property even after marriage, and their husbands have no control over it. Caste and authority are inherited through the mothers, and a noble woman may never marry a serf."

Fantastic stories by early writers of headless men who lived in the desert, and of a race of Amazons, are thought to be derived from the unusual dress of this nomadic race, but their origin is a mystery.